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Vibration type actuator for camera lens focus drive

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Abstract (Basic): EP 923144 A2

NOVELTY - The actuator produces vibration displacements in at least three different directions that are excited in the vibration member to generate synthetic vibrations and move the vibration member and the contact member relatively in a desired direction.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - The piezoelectric elements (3) disposed between the middle elastic member (5a) and bottom elastic member (5b) are a second piezoelectric element for exciting longitudinal flexural vibrations in the vibration member in the x-z plane. A third piezoelectric element is used for exciting longitudinal flexural vibrations in the vibration member in the y-z plane. An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is included for: a vibration wave motor.

USE - For driving auto focus lens of a camera.

ADVANTAGE - Generates a driving force of a multi-degree of freedom by using a single vibration member

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The drawing shows a cross-sectional view of a vibration type actuator.

piezoelectric elements (3)

middle elastic member (5a)

bottom elastic member (5b)

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Title Terms: VIBRATION; TYPE; ACTUATE; CAMERA; LENS; FOCUS; DRIVE

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Generation of data relating to topography of medium and having high contrast surface illumination - moving medium relative to imaging structure having illumination source which directs light onto medium and image sensors for detecting areas of high and low brightness to form read image

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Abstract (Basic): EP 800307 A

The method of acquiring data relating to the topography of a medium comprises providing a structure (10) including an illumination device (38, 30) and an array of colour sensors (24) each having a field of view. Radiation is directed from the light source towards the surface of the medium to define a path that is fixed relative to the sensor, and the path can be set at an angle less than 16 degrees with respect to the surface.

Relative movement is created between the medium and the structure, and during this areas of relatively high and low brightness are detected. An image is formed of the medium including tracking positions of the two areas during the movement step to determine position encoding or image information.

USE/ADVANTAGE - E.g. for high speed acquisition of position encoding and/or image reproducing data particularly for reproducing image from sheet of paper. E.g. for copier or printer or scanner. Compact and energy efficient. Acquires sufficient navigation information and/or print image data to allow quick movement across medium of interest.

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Title Terms: GENERATE; DATA; RELATED; TOPOGRAPHICAL; MEDIUM; HIGH; CONTRAST
; SURFACE; ILLUMINATE; MOVE; MEDIUM; RELATIVE; IMAGE; STRUCTURE;
ILLUMINATE; SOURCE; DIRECT; LIGHT; MEDIUM; IMAGE; SENSE; DETECT; AREA;
HIGH; LOW; BRIGHT; FORM; READ; IMAGE

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